REMARKS

The assistance of Examiner Wood in a telephone interview conducted September 26, 2005, is gratefully acknowledged. Claim 15, the only claim pending in this application, is amended above.

The preamble is amended to denote that the process is computerized in that most of the steps must be performed by executing software on a computer processor.

The assignment of a reviewer and time scheduling is done in response to the entry of a review request in the staging database, by executing a automated function. Support is found in Applicants' specification page 8, lines 5 - 9, and Gil column 3, lines 21 - 35 and FIG. 1.

In the fourth step of claim 15, deliverables are provided including executing regression, function, an system tests of the software applicants and providing actual execution results of the tests. Support is found in Applicants' specification page 12, lines 16 -20.

A separation of duties evaluation of the software application is also conducted by executing an automated function. Support is found in Applicants' specification page 11, lines 13 - 24, and Gil column 7, lines 10 - 20.

Review results are reported using on-line tools and a determination of whether to make a decision of certification is made based on an on-line review of the results. Support is found in Applicant's specification page 13, lines 11 - 13.

No new matter is entered. Applicants respectfully request entry of these amendments to claim 15, whether by entry of this response to a Final Office Action or by Examiner's amendment.

Claim 15 presently stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the process described is entirely a series of mental steps or as being accomplished using pencil and paper. Applicants have amended claim 15 above to more distinctly point out and require execution of various steps on a computing system. Applicants therefore respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 101 and allowance of claim 15 as now amended.

The Application is deemed in condition for allowance and such action by the Examiner is urged. Should differences remain, however, which do not place one/more of the remaining claims in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to phone the undersigned at the number provided below for the purpose of providing constructive assistance and suggestions in accordance with M.P.E.P. Sections 707, 707.07(d) and 707.07(j) in order that allowable claims can be presented, thereby placing the application in condition for allowance without further proceedings being necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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